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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Appln. Of: KAWAGUCHI et al.

Serial No.:

10/763,551

Filed:

January 23, 2004

For:

Semiconductor Device In Which Punchthrough Is Prevented

Group:

2815

Examiner:

Allan R. Wilson

DOCKET: NEC 03USFP936

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

AMENDMENT A

Dear Sir:

This Amendment is being filed in response to the Official Action mailed October 19,

2004. A Two-Month Extension of Time accompanies this Amendment.

\$374 B/F661 (1991) 00000005 Please amend the Application as follows:

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Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this Amendment.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 5 of this Amendment.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 12 of this Amendment.

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175 CANAL STREET INCHESTER, NH 03101 TEL. 603.668.1400 FAX. 603.668.8567 a P well 35. Therefore, the claim 17 is not anticipated by Hutter. Thus, Hutter et al. does not anticipate independent claims 1, 9 or 17.

Claims 2, 10, and 18-19 depend directly or indirectly on claims 1, 9 or 17, as the case may be, and are allowable for the same reasons as stated above, as well as for their own additional limitations.

Form PTO-2038 in the amount of \$1,450.00 is enclosed to cover the cost of the added claims, and the cost of the extension.

Having dealt with all the objections raised by the Examiner, the Application is believed to be in order for allowance. Early and favorable action are respectfully requested.

In the event there are any fee deficiencies or additional fees are payable, please charge them (or credit any overpayment) to our Deposit Account Number 08-1391.

Respectfully submitted,

Norman P. Soloway Attorney for Applicant

Reg. No. 24,315

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as First Class Mail in an envelope addressed to: MAIL STOP AMENDMENT, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on at Tucson, Arizona.

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